

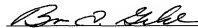
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Sir:

Please consider the following Preliminary Amendment to the application filed herewith on June 14, 2000.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please cancel claims 35-45, 50-59, 63-71 and 73-79 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Respectfully submitted
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